

Wethersfield Parks and Recreation Advisory Board  
Minutes - Thursday, June 24, 2010

The meeting took place as a tour of park facilities. The tour began at 5:30 p.m. and visited Mill Woods Park, Greenfield Softball Field, Community Center, Cove Park Boat Launch area and Standish Park. Members present were Chairperson Tom Ragonese, Richard Lepore, Tom Pentalow, Kevin Rogers and Carmelo Amoddio. Also present were Mike Hurley, Town Council Liaison, Kathleen Bagley, Director of Parks and Recreation and Marty Sitler, Recreation Supervisor. At each of these facilities, board members observed new improvements to the parks. In Mill Woods Park, they inspected the new press box at the lighted Little League field, the site for the installation of the new playscape, the Dick Dobmeier memorial park bench in front of the bathhouse and the new street sign on the park road naming it Dick Dobmeier Lane and the replacement fencing around the swimming pool. At Greenfield softball field, they looked at the renovated softball field and at the Community Center they observed the new exterior windows in the west wing of the building. They visited the Cove Park Boat Launch area to check out the location of the proposed new docks and boat ramp and at Standish Park they visited the refurbished basketball court. Throughout the tour, discussions were held on each of the park facilities.

A. Public Comments.

None.

B. Minutes – May 27, 2010.

Tom Pentalow moved to approve the minutes of May 27, 2010. The motion was seconded by Carmelo Amoddio and approved unanimously.

C. Monthly Report – May 2010.

The Monthly Report was reviewed by Board members.

D. Letters and Announcements.

Council Liaison, Mike Hurley, reminded board members that the George Ritchie Soccer League was sponsoring their 3 on 3 Soccer Tournament on Saturday, June 26. He reported that all plans are in place and they have at least 50 teams registered to play. Chairperson Ragonese thanked him for this report and hoped it would be a good weather day and a great tournament.

E. Old Business.

1. Cove Docks and Boat Launch Ramp Proposed Plan.

Ms. Bagley reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission approved the plan for replacing the docks and boat ramp at their meeting on June 15. Next step is to receive approval from the Town Council to submit the plan to the State of Connecticut, Department of Environmental Protection.

F. New Business.

1. New Playground Equipment at Mill Woods Park.

Chairperson Ragonese asked Ms. Bagley for an update on the playground equipment bid that went to the Town Council. Ms. Bagley stated that the Town Council approved the bid on June 7, 2010 and she is in the process of ordering the equipment. She anticipates installation in August or September.

G. Motion to Adjourn.

A motion was made by Tom Pentalow and seconded by Carmelo Amoddio to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Bagley, Director  
Parks & Recreation Department